



Elsie (Kormylo) Forlanski, and husband Julian, formerly of Rossdale.



Dmytro Kormylo and granddaughter Bernice Forlanski, 1953, Rossdale.

Eva, born September 1918, married, living in Kenora, Ontario, has two daughters and one son.

Michael, born December 1920, married, living in California, has three daughters and three sons.

Tillie, born November, 1924, married, living in Winnipeg, has two daughters.

The first church service (marriages, baptism) were held in Dmytro and Olana Kormylo's three-room log house (which Dmytro had built on his farm) before the first Catholic Ukrainian church was built (year unknown).

In July 1931, Olana died, leaving Dmytro with four young school-age children. Alice, being 17 years, the eldest at that time had her first experience taking charge, learning to cook on a wood stove, baking bread, washing clothes on a scrub board. Then on May 10th, 1932, Dmytro was remarried to Annie Nanoski of Terebomia, Poland. Three more sons were added to the Kormylo family.

Edward, born March 1933, married and has one daughter and one adopted son. Albert, born August 1937, married, has one son, one adopted daughter. Stanley, born July 1st, 1942, married, has two sons. Annie and the three sons live in Lockport, Manitoba. All the Kormylo family were educated at the Rossdale School. Dmytro lived on his fourteen acre farm in Rossdale until his death on November 8th, 1961. Surviving are his wife Annie, five daughters, five sons, 22 grandchildren.

The Kreviazuk Family (at Old England)

submitted by Bes Corby

There are those citizens in every community who work quietly and diligently on the land to produce the food we have on our tables. In this municipality of St. Andrews we have, along with the English and the Scots, the first and second generation descendants of tillers of the soil who came from central Europe, those courageous souls with the spirit of adventure who came here to better their lives and give their children a better chance.

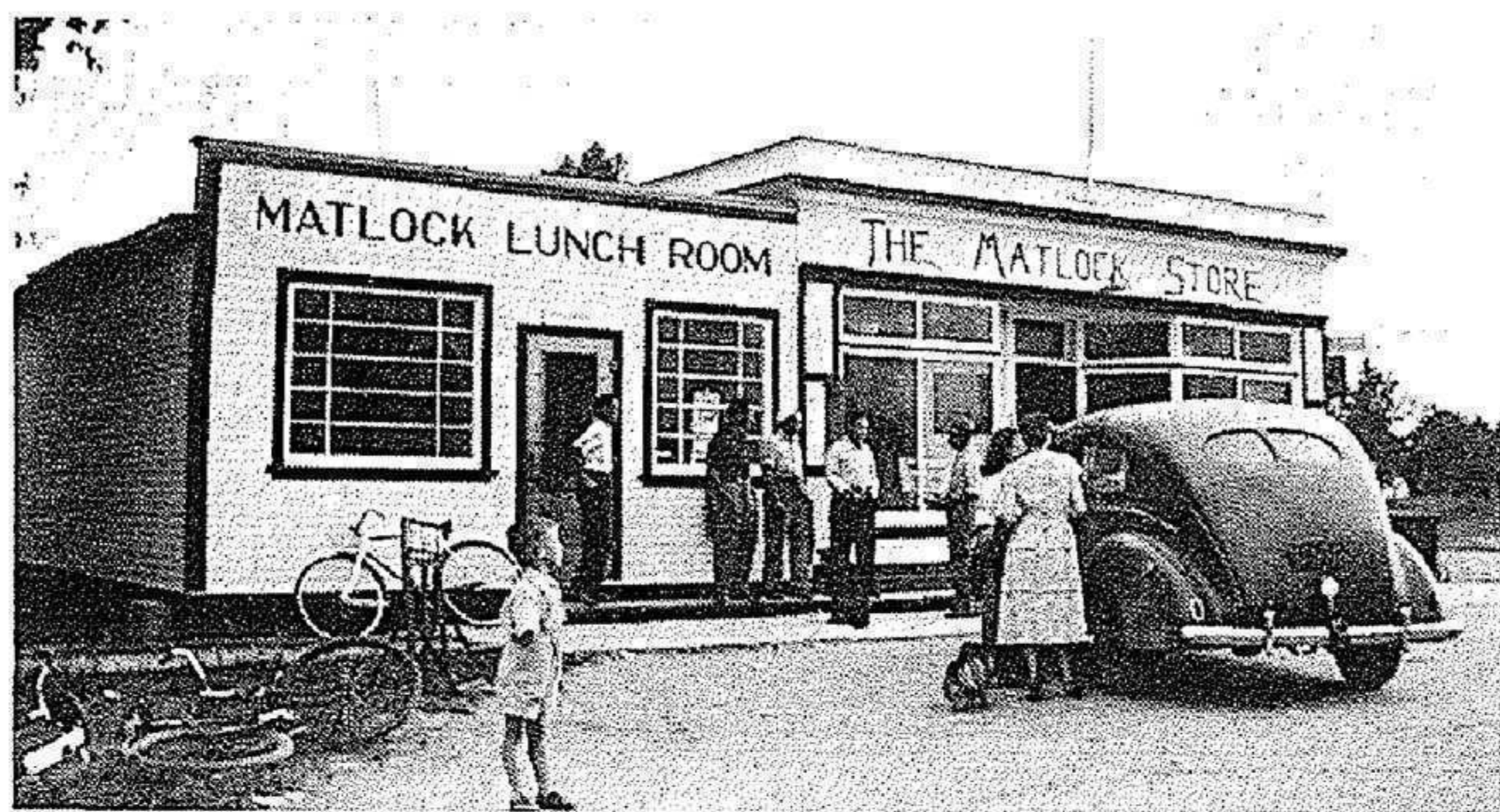
All along the highway from Parkdale to Selkirk the character of these people is evident and reflected in the open market stands with their fresh vegetables, fruit and flowers; then in the fall the huge baskets of fresh corn and last of all, the pumpkins — just in time for Hallowe'en.

One well-known citizen at Old England who has supplied a great many people with fresh produce all summer long is Michael Kreviazuk. Mike and his wife Isobel have a lovely home with spacious lawns in a woodland setting, just north of Lower Fort Garry. Since his retirement from a lumber company, Mike has devoted his entire summers to his love of garden-

ing. From his large garden he has produced choice corn-on-the-cob by the dozen and some very large and colourful pumpkins. For many years Isobel has been the assistant manager of the Francis Jewellery Store in Selkirk. She and Mike are lifelong members of the Little Britain United Church where their three children, Eleanor, Brian and Linda were baptized, received their religious education, and were married.

Georgina Johnson Krupa by Georgina Krupa

I was born Georgina Johnson and lived at Gunton, Manitoba, where I had my schooling and early life, leaving to seek jobs in Winnipeg and Ontario. I married Philip Krupa in 1943 and moved to Barrows, Manitoba. We operated a store and Post Office there, moving to Matlock, Manitoba in 1947, purchasing the Matlock Store on the corner of Matlock Road and Community Road. A lumber construction previously owned by Mr. and Mrs. Collede, later sold to Radomski and Spulnicks, then Budinski and Kostuik, the store was a general store, with a lunch-room attached built by Mr. Collede of artistic seats and tables made from natural wood and willows. This store was used until 1960, when a new cement structure was built by Sam Dukenich Construction, Selkirk. Work began on this building in 1959 and completed and opened in 1960. The ribbon cutting took place in May with the ribbon being cut by Duff Roblin, former Premier of Manitoba, and Dr. George Johnson, Minister of Health Manitoba assisting.



Community Store, Matlock

The municipality of St. Andrews and the village of Dunnottar were at the time of our arrival in Matlock negotiating for the Village to be formed. In 1977 we sold the store to Mr. and Mrs. W. Milne, Mrs. Milne was a former resident of Matlock (Phyllis Penny).

We purchased the former residence of Dan Rogoski on Community Road directly behind the store, Mr. Krupa retired from the Post Office, and I am still Postmaster. We raised one boy, David, now

living Thompson, Manitoba, two girls, Myrna in Winnipeg, Karen in Alberta.

Some memories are, when Mrs. Wyspianski was coming to the store with her horse and buggy, she was in a car and buggy accident on #9 Highway, she was unhurt, also her horse survived. Also, Stan Moore and Cliff Harper managed to survive a half ton truck accident at the crossing, the truck was hit by the train and demolished, the boys survived with bruises and a broken leg.

My mother, Mrs. Agnes Johnson, came to live in Matlock 24 years ago, retiring from her job in Winnipeg at age 70. She purchased a house and boarded teachers, some of which still come to visit her. She is 94 now and came from Scotland, married my father and homesteaded on the farm at Gunton. In 1967 she made a Centennial quilt which I now have to honour our Centennial year.

Mike and Steve Hawryshak, pioneers of the district, farmed two miles from Matlock on Pilatski Road. Steve made a violin by hand and Mike travelled to Winnipeg several times to cut a record which was sold in the local area.

Mrs. Mary Vaughan moved to Matlock with husband Jim about 1947 also. Mary and Jim bought a half ton Ford pickup and when the W. A. met monthly it was usually Mary who loaded up the women in the back of the half ton to take them to the meeting. The W. A. being the Women's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church, now known as the A.C.W. When the junior W.A. started a group of teenage girls, we were driven by Birdie Chapel to various homes to learn crafts, one was shell pictures at the home of Mrs. Cordy in Ponemah. After the meeting we were served lemon tarts made by Mrs. Cordy and the lemons were grown in her own house on her lemon tree. Many a time we were stuck in snow drifts and had to shovel our way out, what fun, no snow plows those days.

Many changes have taken place in Matlock and district, the lake once very high is now quite low. A breakwater was built in the late 1940's or early 1950's to save the erosion of the shore line near what was known as Sans Souci Park.

Fires destroyed many homes in the district, Chorney's home about 1940-1941, Dave McKenzie's 1950, Joe Swirski's, Louis Spulnick's, Ed Twerdun's and Frank Omand's 1960's, and Frank Swirski's, Mike Chapel's and William Harrison's farm house. Businesses destroyed by fire, Mike Chapel's, Red & White Store Matlock, Whytewold Store, Harrison's Garage in Matlock, and the old Matlock Store.

Drowning tragedies took the lives of many in the 1970's, a nurse, Miss Driscoll (year ?) lost her life swimming to the breakwater early on a Saturday

morning. Her body took two days to be recovered with all the local people participating in the dragging operations. Others were a father and son, a young boy (names unknown).

The passenger train was removed in (year ?) and the mail was brought in by truck.

These are some of the things I can remember that took place within the district. You can subtract, add or delete things that are not suitable, ask me questions or whatever I can help with, I will.

First Post Office was Whytewold run by Mrs. Reynolds, mother of Mrs. Platski. 1925-1927

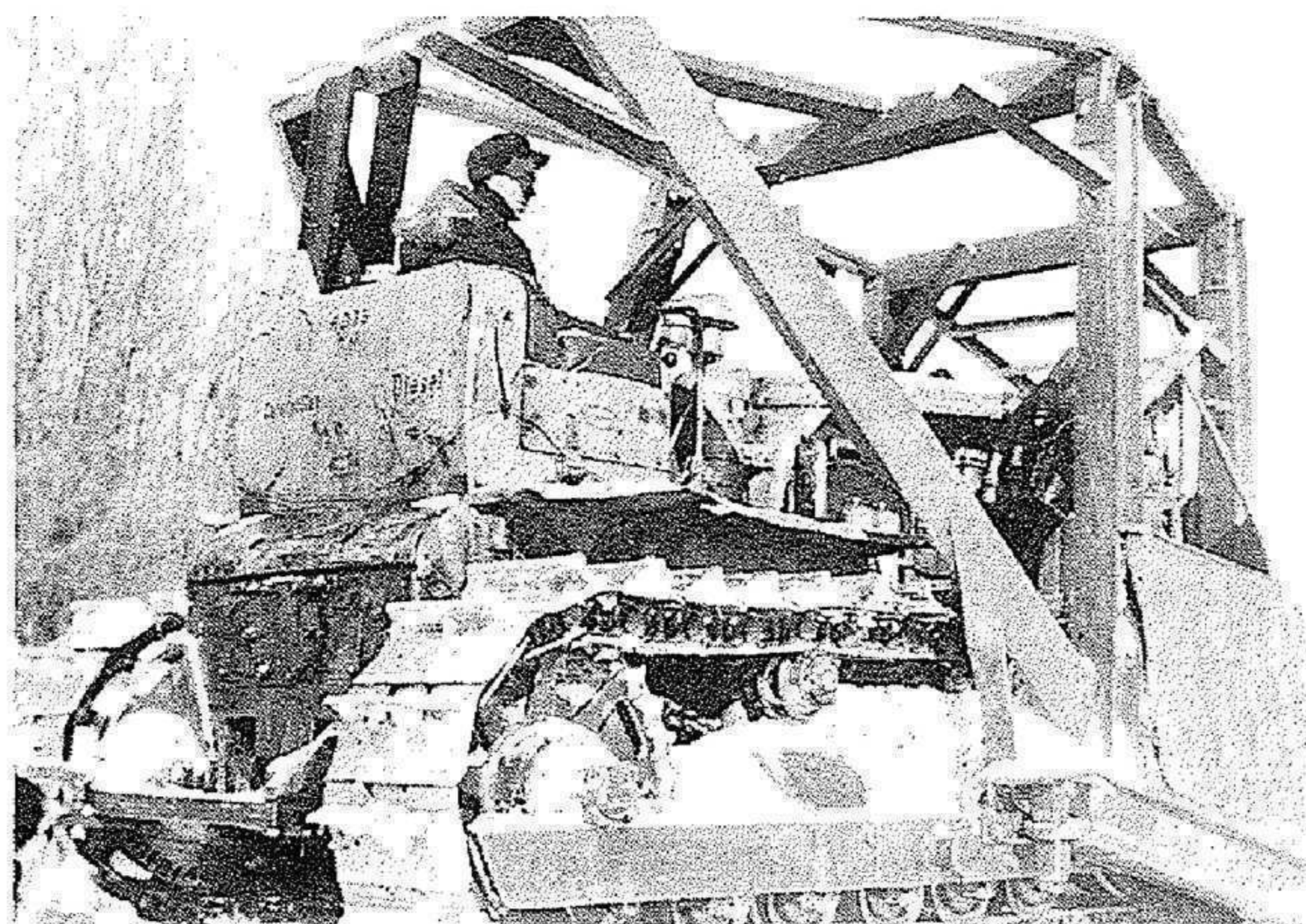
I believe then it was moved to Matlock around 1929 or earlier.

I have a book on the P. O. starts at 1933.

Forgot to say Mother is still living in Matlock. Also Dan's Trucking operated out of Matlock x # of years before being sold.

The Land Family

Hazel Land, the daughter of Esther and John Smith was born 1924 and raised in the St. Peters area. She attended Peguis School and attended the St. George's Anglican Church. She was an active member of this church keeping busy with the many church activities. She worked at the Selkirk Mental Hospital and the Selkirk General Hospital. Years later she worked at Futronics, the Tudor House and the Electroknit in Selkirk. In 1945 she married Jim Land (1911-1965) the son of Arthur and Margaret Land of the Pigeon Bluff area. (now called Cloverdale). Jim Land was raised on a farm in the area and attended Cloverdale Schools.



Jim Land with his snow clearing equipment.

Jim and Hazel Land lived on Lot 98 and 99 St. Peters. Jim was a land clearing contractor. His business took him away from home for many days at a time. He worked mainly in the area from Lockport to

Winnipeg Beach. They had four children: Jimmy, Judy (1948-1971), Wendy and Daniel. They were all raised in this district and attended Peguis, Margaret Hayworth and the Selkirk Collegiate schools.

Jim played the violin at the many dances at the "Gum Rubber Hall" in the area. This was the main entertainment on weekends and many people came out to enjoy the evening.

The Land Family

by **Rose (Land) Mabee**

In the 1870's, William Bell Land was sent over, from England, to survey this new part of mid-Canada, that was being opened up by the Hudson's Bay Company.

He would arrive with the first boats over in the Spring, do surveying until Fall, then return to England till the next year. After two or three trips, the Company saw fit to offer the men the opportunity to bring their families and settle here.

This, Mr. Land did, bringing out his wife, five daughters and a son. They lived on Adelaide Street, Winnipeg, then a very fashionable part of the city.

As the Land family grew up, the older girls married. Fanny married Bill Beckett, and spent several years living on what is now the McRae Road.

The only son, Arthur William Land, as he grew up, would come out to Joseph Clouston's farm and grist mill, at Lower Fort Garry, for threshing and any other work he could pick up.

There he met Wilhelmina Margaret, the eldest daughter of Joseph and Mathilda Clouston. They were married in 1903, and moved to Pigeon Bluff, now called Cloverdale, where they bought and built on a quarter section.

Times were tough then, and Arthur Land spent several winters freighting on Lake Winnipeg, with John McNabb. I, Rose, being the last of eight children, remember my Dad telling stories of their experiences on the Lake and some of these were comical. Others told of fierce storms these hardy pioneers weathered; or hardships they endured; or severe cold, with only their wits and wisdom to pull them through.

Of the eight children, five are still living: Martha — Mrs. Bill Franks, at Netley; Joe, who farmed for fifty years, two miles South of Clandeboye, now retired and living in Selkirk; Robert and his wife, Thelma, on their farm at Cloverdale; Alice, Mrs. Nelson Reid, in Selkirk; and Rose, Mrs. Wallace Mabee, living on their farm on the Fillmore Road.

Three sons, Austin, Tommy and Jim, have all passed away.

Robert still farms part of the original Land farm, as well as his own two quarters, making it almost

eighty years this original property has been farmed by the Land Family.

My parents, Arthur and Margaret Land, celebrated their fiftieth Wedding Anniversary, on January first, 1953. Dad passed on that summer, at age seventy two. Mother lived until 1959, and was ten days short of being eighty. They are both buried at St. Matthew's Church, Cloverdale, which Arthur Land had helped to build.

Larter Family History

by Misses Bess, Margaret and Kathleen Larter and their brother Fred — as told to Mr. Harvey Dann

Mr. Free Larter came to the farm in 1892. He originally had come from Mulbarton, England to Canada and on to Manitoba in 1885, working at various locations before coming to the present farm which is Lot 10, 11, and 12, St. Andrew's. He married Miss Elizabeth Fulsher on March 9th, 1892. Through this unity nine children became part of this family. They were Harry, George, Bess, Joe, Margaret, Kathleen, Fred, Vic, Bun. At the present time Bess, Margaret and Kathleen live on the original Farm. Vic lives near the home farm, while Fred and Bun live in Winnipeg. Most of the original land still is in the family. The girls had taken up teaching as their profession, George and Joe stayed on the farm, while Fred, Vic and Bun earned their livelihood at jobs in the city.

Elementary schooling of the family was at Parkdale School, with high school in St. Andrew's Consolidated School, Selkirk and Winnipeg.

Mr. Free Larter played an active role on the District #2 and #3 school boards. He was very actively involved in the Parkdale and St. Andrew's consolidation, so that high school could come to the area. He also was active on St. Andrew's Municipal Council, as councillor and was reeve from 1916-1936. One of the keepsakes of his position was a chair given to the family in remembrance of his efforts and it has a special place in the home today. He played an active role in both provincial and municipal affairs in the early days.

The farm served as a playground for the immediate community with a ball diamond, skating and tobogganing and other activities of the day. The May 24th, picnic was one of the highlights the family look back upon. Free was fast-a-foot as he could watch for the street car at Miller Crossing and beat it to Larter Station (on foot) when he wanted to get aboard.

He served as people's warden and as minister's warden for a number of years at the St. Andrew's Church. As well, he was involved in the operations of Selkirk Hospital. His son, George continued his

effort. During the depression as reeve of the municipality, he helped set up a relief camp at Pine Ridge, which was near the Pine Ridge Golf Course of today. The municipality bought the timber rights to a section. The first year they cut cord wood, the second year they hauled timber to Lockport, where a saw mill was located somewhere on Stephen's Avenue.

St. Andrew's also had another relief camp near Seven Sisters, where cord wood was cut. The girls recall an occasion where their Dad who, being the reeve, was confronted with a situation at the relief camp where outside labor agitators from Winnipeg were trying to cause trouble at St. Andrew's, and when asked before the meeting how he was going to handle it, he replied that everything would be all right. When it was time to call the meeting to order he asked all non-residents to please leave the council chambers. This move diffused all protestors immediately. There are many memories of happenings throughout the depression years. He was known as a man of his word and of high principles.

Mrs. Larter gave full support to her husband's projects serving from community nurse to any or all ladies' organizations, but not as a member, for she considered a woman's place was in the home looking after her family.

The family remembers their parents with fond memories as do many other people of the community and municipality.

Mr. Larter passed away in 1936 and Mrs. Larter passed away in 1937.

Miss Bess Larter started teaching in 1915 after attending Normal school in Winnipeg. She first taught at Victoria School near Stonewall. In 1916 she taught near Garson and in 1918 moved on to teach at Prosperity School in Garson. In 1921 she moved to Centennial School, West Kildonan, Winnipeg where she taught until 1966 teaching Grades anywhere from 1-8 mostly the upper grade. She is spending her retirement years at the family farm. The changing of educational attitudes was a major concern of this professional person, as she felt it was a detriment to the children. Miss Larter has calls and visits up to this day from former students.

Margaret Larter was a graduate from Manitoba Normal School and taught at Prosperity School, Centennial School and at Victoria School. In 1943 she moved to Ottawa to join her sister and went to work for the Department of Public Works in accounting, then on to administration. She took on the project of superannuation for the employees of the department, preparing records for pensions. She stayed in the administration field until her retirement. She now resides at Parkdale with her two sisters.

Kathleen Larter was a graduate of Manitoba Nor-

mal School and taught for a number of years in Manitoba. She moved to Ottawa in 1942 and joined the government where she worked in what is now referred to as Supply and Services, until her retirement. Presently she too, is residing with her sister Bess at the family farm.

George and Joe Larter's interests were in agriculture, politics, school, sports, church and people. They lived at the home farm all their lives. They are remembered as being thoughtful, considerate people, who above all could be very humorous. Their input to the community carried on where Free Larter left off. Joe Larter joined the army in 1917. George passed away in 1978 and Joe passed away in 1980.

Fred, Vic and Bun left the farm. Vic and Bun were overseas in the army during the Second World War. Fred worked for the City of Winnipeg until retirement. Vic worked for the Provincial Government until retirement. Bun worked for the Federal Government for a number of years. He is now with the City of Winnipeg. These men have maintained the family contact over the years.

The home was chosen by Free Larter, because of the beautiful view of the Red River from two directions. Also the beauty of trees and landscape were part of his decision. The street car track from Winnipeg to Selkirk was a main source of transportation. Steam engines were used first. It was operated by Winnipeg Electric and Lake Winnipeg Railway. Cattle, horses, and hogs were part of the farming operations. Miss Margaret Larter recalls that in 1919 she received a letter from her brother George saying he had purchased a tractor. Kathleen recalls it as being a "lemon". History repeats itself.

In the early days while working with horses, one of the dangers was not to run over a neighbor's sleeping child, while working in the fields. Fortunately the horses could identify the problem.

The farm was all in River lots; four miles long, so when working with horses one would take his lunch with him to eat at the four mile and hurry home just in time for supper!!

Free Larter Passes

Reeve of R.M. St. Andrews since 1915, a member of the Executive Board of the Union of Manitoba Municipalities and one of the founders and a continuing supporter and Executive member of the Manitoba Good Roads Association, Free Larter left these and all other spheres of earthly activity on September 29th, in his seventy-first year, and went on to the rewards and activities of the life beyond.

He was a gentle-spoken, gentle-mannered man, giving years of service to the community in which he lived, to the church of his faith, to the alleviation and

betterment of mankind. Before he became Reeve of R.M. St. Andrews, he had served as councillor from 1901 to 1915. For many years he was a member of the school board. He represented the Union of Manitoba Municipalities on the Cancer Relief and Research Institute of Manitoba. He was a member of the board of directors of Selkirk General Hospital. He was one of the directors of the first rural credit organizations. A man, you see, high in the esteem of his fellows, who entrusted him with such heavy directive responsibilities, which bring work as well as honor, call for judgment as well as grace, and need practical common sense as well as a warm humanity.

Mr. Larter came to Canada at the age of twenty, coming from Mulbarton, Norfolk, England, where he had been born. He settled in the St. Andrews district. Larter's Crossing, on the Selkirk highway, was named after him.

Mr. Larter was an active member of the Church of England, for the past twenty years acting as rector's warden of Old St. Andrews Church. At his funeral service, this church was crowded with relatives, friends, neighbors, officials of many government departments and associates of the organizations in which he had worked, and as many more shared in the service from the outside.

Members of St. Andrews Council were the active pall-bearers.

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The Dick Leask Family

John Richard (Dick) Leask was born on January 18, 1887, the oldest of the eleven children of Willie and Mary Leask. Helping on the farm was more important than schooling at the turn of the century, and Dick could only attend classes after harvest and before seeding. He had a Grade 6 standing, but always regretted his lack of education and had a desire to learn all his life.

After a number of years working on a bridge building gang and a dairy farm, Dick went into partnership with his cousin, Walter Sutherland, in a general store in Clandeboye, and stores were 'general' in the second decade in this century. They sold hardware, dry goods, boots and shoes, coal oil, needles, threads and ribbons, as well as groceries and meat. Dick looked after the animals and did the butchering. The store had wheels of cheese from which wedges were cut, a huge, red grinder for coffee beans, a Quebec heater for warmth, and kegs of nails along one side. It was a gathering place and centre for information as well as a place of business.

In 1915, Mary Jane (Mamie) McDonald, eldest

daughter of Duncan McDonald of Petersfield, came to teach in a one-room school at Clandeboye. Pretty teachers did not stay long in a school. Mamie and Dick were married on August 22nd, 1916.

Their son, Mel, was born on September 3, 1917 and their daughter, Ruth, on February 20, 1921.

1922 saw a serious setback. The firm of Sutherland and Leask went bankrupt and all assets were lost — house, horses, cows, — everything.

The next twelve years were difficult ones for Dick and Mamie. In the winter Dick measured gravel for the Municipality of St. Andrews. He left home at 7 a.m. and stood all day on the road, measuring the loads of gravel that were dumped on the roadside, to be spread over the highway in the spring. He came home at 6 p.m., and tried to smile at this family, but his face was so stiff from the cold that he couldn't quite make it. Mamie did all she could for his comfort, knitting warm mitts and socks and packing hot food in a box with sad irons to keep it warm.

In the summer Dick drove a road grader, pulled by three horses. Every year he won a silver cup for the best-maintained roads in Manitoba.

In 1930, the strain exacted its toll, and Dick developed a serious stomach ulcer. The doctor ordered a year of complete rest. There was no unemployment insurance or welfare available then. Mel was now a lad of thirteen, and he and Mamie kept things together. Mel looked after the animals so there was milk and meat, and he hauled home wood for the fires and sometimes snared a rabbit or shot a prairie chicken. Mamie sold some butter and eggs, and with the produce from the garden, there was always plenty of food. Mamie made over clothes, made shirts and underwear from flour sacks and mended, mended, mended. There was plenty of love in the household, too, and a wonderful feeling of the family pulling together. And there were games and music in the evenings. Sometimes the family played whist or king pedro, and sometimes Mel played the fiddle while Ruth chorded on the piano.

The community was a close-knit, supportive one, too. The only telephone was in the store, and once when Mary Sutherland called across the road, "There's a long-distance call for you, Mame," she was followed to the store by Mrs. Lowe, the minister's wife, and Alf Oig, the blacksmith. This was not curiosity. A long-distance call often meant bad news, and they were on hand to help if they were needed.

Dick's health improved, and one day, in the spring of 1936, he came home with good news. He had been hired by the Municipality of St. Andrews to fill the position previously held by Arthur Clare, of Relief Officer, Road Inspector, Tax Collector, Weed Inspector, Fire Warden and Constable. His salary

was to be \$75 a month, and he had to provide his own car.

Dick always had amusing stories to tell when he came home from work. One of his favorites was about Philip Gamache, a boy of about eight at the time. Dick was making out a time sheet at the municipal office one day when he realized he didn't have the information he needed from Leonard Robinson, who lived about one-half a mile north of the office. Philip was nearby and Dick asked him if he would "run down to Leonard's and get his time." A surprisingly short while later, Philip came panting in and reported, "It's a quarter past two, Mr. Leask!"

Because Dick had wanted an education himself and Mamie had struggled for hers, they were determined that their children would be educated. At great sacrifice, both Mel and Ruth went to Selkirk for Grade Eleven. Later, Mel had a year in Winnipeg at business college while Ruth took Grade Twelve in Selkirk and Normal School in Winnipeg.

Mel served with the RCAF from 1940-1945 as a bomber pilot. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross for bringing home a plane on one engine, after the other three were shot out. In 1947, he married Jean Smith from Minnedosa and they have three children. He is now retired and living in Victoria.

Ruth taught at Kelwood, Norway House and Success Business College. In 1948, she married Bill Sadler of Air Canada and moved to Montreal. They had five children. She is now living in Winnipeg and teaching at The Manitoba School for the Deaf.

Dick died on January 11, 1961, at the age of 74. Mamie joined him on September 29, 1962. They are buried in the Clandeboye churchyard with their parents, some brothers and sisters and one grandson.

James Colin Leask

James Colin Leask was born in 1893, the fifth child of William and Mary Leask. In 1922 he married Ethel May Carmichael, who was adopted and brought up by Alex and Christie Sutherland of Old Kildonan, descendants of the Selkirk Settlers.

They bought a small farm three miles west of Clandeboye where they raised their family of six: Christina, Evelyn, Gladys, Wilma, Keith and Allan. From 1929 to 1963 they were in the dairy business. They sold their farm to their youngest son, Allan, and retired to the village. Allan later sold the farm to Dave Aime who later sold it to Stuart and Marie Cotton. Colin was active in the community and served as a steward and elder in the United Church. Ethel was a devoted church worker and Red Cross worker. She, along with Mrs. Elsie Sutherland and Isobel McDonald, did a number of Red Cross quilts.

Christina married Arthur Wilbert (Bertie) Grieve of Meadowdale, a veteran of World War II. Bertie drove the Interlake Farmers Co-op milk truck for 23 years, retiring in 1981. They have a family of seven: Wilma Thurston, Elva (Mrs. Randy McConnell) of Winnipeg, Judy (Mrs. Geoff Dent) of Winkler, Ian who married Darlene Hardwick of Selkirk, Sheila (Mrs. Larry Peadson), Prairie Grove (Lorette), Leonard and Dena reside and work in Winnipeg. Christina is the present Returning Officer for the Rural Municipality of St. Andrews.

Evelyn married Ken Griffiths of Sperling. They have the post office in Sperling.

Gladys married Dick Swain of Sperling. They have two children, Murray and Joan.

Wilma married John Goodbrandson of Selkirk, who accidentally lost his life in 1970. They have three children, Jack, Joy and Ron.

Keith married Louise Edmonds of Oak Bank. They have two daughters, Barbara and Janice. He is employed at the Research Station at Glenlea, Manitoba.

Allan married Jean Brown of Winnipeg. They have one daughter, Sharon. He is employed in Chilliwack, B.C. by the R.C.M.P. as guard.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leask

John Leask came out to Canada from the Orkney Islands in 1872 at the age of twenty. He came out in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company. A blacksmith by trade, he served a few years at York Factory, also at Lower Fort Garry. He lived where the Earle Brackens now reside and made his living at mixed farming. He was councillor for Ward 4 for seven years. His wagons, sleighs, cutters and democrats were all home-made or rebuilt in his own shop. His brother-in-law, Harold Newton, one time Herdsman at the Mental Hospital, gave him a heifer calf. She later gave birth to triplet calves.

Mr. Leask married Isabel Hadley Ward, who emigrated from England where she had been employed as dressmaker to Queen Victoria. Mrs. Leask organized and was superintendent of the first Sunday School held in the district. It was held in their home until the Presbyterian Church was opened in 1902. After that time, it was customary for one of George Sutherland's boys (Walter, Dudley, Herb or Reg) to walk to "Uncle Jack's" where a team and democrat, or sleigh, was provided to gather up children for Sunday School. When the drive returned with the means of conveyance, he had the pleasure of having Sunday dinner with "Uncle Jack and Aunt Ada," which was special.

For many years, Mr. Leask grew about an acre of

potatoes. He always made a "Potato Bee" to have them picked up in the fall, and always on a Saturday. The school children from miles around looked forward to "Uncle Jack's Potato Bee," which drew from twelve to eighteen young people. Everybody arrived with his or her own picking pail. There were always two women on hand to prepare dinner and supper. After supper, Uncle Jack gave each person some money, and he also provided a treat of candies and nuts. He hitched a team to the democrat and everyone piled in and was delivered home — one of the highlights of the season was over for another year!

The Leasks had no family of their own. They raised two of his nieces, Lizzie Leask and Nellie Leask. The latter married Harold Hall.

William Leask

submitted by Jules McDonald

William Leask migrated from the Orkney Islands in 1880, the son of John Leask and Mary Ann Moar. In 1886 he married Mary Sutherland, daughter of William Sutherland and Margaret Inkster, Red River Settlers. They were married in St. John's Cathedral by Bishop Grisdale. They farmed in the Clandeboye district till his death in 1929.



William and Mary (Sutherland) Leask, Clandeboye 1929.

Mr. Leask was a pillar in the Presbyterian church from before the church building was erected. He served as an elder from when it was opened until his death. He served the congregation in many capacities including superintendent of the Sunday School for many years. He was also custodian in the first municipal hall, built in Clandeboye in 1910. That was in the days when the heating fuel was wood, fed into a small box-stove on the second floor and a larger box-stove on the main floor. The office was on the second floor and the council meetings were held on the lower floor. The building had to be heated by 9:00 a. m. at which time J. D. Forester, the secretary-treasurer, arrived by train from Winnipeg Beach where he resided. An evening chore was to clean out the ashes, carry in the wood and prepare kindling for morning.

Mrs. Leask had many interest also. She was active in the Ladies Aid, served as president of the Women's Missionary Society, member of the Auxiliary to the Selkirk General Hospital. She supplied the cream for the annual "Easter Ball" in aid of the hospital. An ardent worker for the Patriotic Society during the first world war, she knitted dozens of pairs of socks and baked many fruit cakes to send overseas. She was also a mid-wife and in that capacity ushered many babies into the world. She was once called to nurse a baby suffering from double pneumonia. The doctor had given him up. Mrs. Leask

asked permission to use fried onion poultices. Onions were fried in butter and applied to his chest, back, hands and feet. The baby recovered.

The William Leask home was open to anyone who needed a home. They kept Mrs. Leask's brother's children for three years after their mother died, also a niece's daughter for two years after her mother's death and a nephew's infant son for a year. There were a few years when a hundred pounds of flour was baked up in ten days. Their family of ten were: Richard (Dick) — he married Mamie McDonald; Minnie married Archie McDonald; Harold married Mattie Tucker; Colin married Ethel Carmichael; David married Norma Thompson; Isabel married Alex McDonald; Julia married Clarence McDonald; Ellen married John Bentley. Margaret and Robert never married and they carried on operating the home farm till Margaret's death in 1963. During her life Margaret was very faithful to her church. She was a member of the Board of Stewards, Superintendent of the Sunday School, secretary-treasurer of the Women's Association for over thirty years, also a member of the choir and did more than her share of convening teas and dinners. In her younger days she received training as a dress-maker in Selkirk and used that talent all her life making many wedding dresses, suits, etc.

Robert was noted not only as being a good neigh-



Mr. and Mrs. Leask and family, Clandeboye, 1912.

bor but also for his wonderful memory. Many people turned to him for information on past years. He was a member of the forces during the first World War and is presently a member of the Selkirk Legion. He now resides in Betel Home in Selkirk. "Uncle Bob" is tops with his nieces and nephews, and many more.

The Lemoines

submitted by Edna Lemoine, daughter of Harry

Henry and Jennie (nee Moffat) Lemoine brought their family, from the Ottawa area, to the district of Dunara in 1890. Henry managed a ranch for an American by the name of Peter George after his arrival in the district. They built a home of their own on the present Kushner farm, SE 25-15-3E, where they lived until 1909. They then moved to Petersfield and ran a boarding house.



Henry and Jennie (Moffat) Lemoine, Petersfield.

Their family consisted of three boys and seven girls.

Jessie born 1882, George born 1884, Harry born 1886, Bertie born 1888, Elizabeth born 1890, Bella born 1892, Jean born 1895, Peggy born 1896, Tim born 1898, Eva born 1901.

Bertie (Mrs. J. Rowe) lives in St. Catherines, Ont.

Bella (Mrs. A. Anderson) lives in Lake Cowichan, B.C.

Peggy (Mrs. J. Garratt) lives in Calgary, Alta.

Harry, who passed away in 1951, was the only one of the family who stayed in the district. His wife and son, Keith, still live in Petersfield.

The older children had to go to the Norwood School. Henry was an auditor for the school in 1892, and he also served as trustee at one time. Henry was instrumental in getting a school in Dunara. As a matter of fact, he had to go to court to get it — he had enough children going to school to warrant one.

Henry, also, was a councillor for the Municipality of St. Andrews.

The family worked towards getting a church built in Dunara. Fred Foord and John Irvine were the carpenters. Jennie started the Ladies Aid, which purchased the first chairs for the church. The ministers often stayed with the Lemoines, on the weekends, so a service could be held on Sunday. Some of the ministers were: Rev. Jacks, Rev. McGill, Rev. Thornlow, Rev. Johnson and Dr. Bell.

The family ran the Post Office, while they lived on the farm. When they gave up the post office, the name was changed to Petersfield and a rural route was established.

After living in Petersfield, they moved to Winnipeg Beach to run a boarding house there. They lived in Selkirk for a short time. Henry worked for the Manitoba Government after they settled permanently in Winnipeg Beach.

Jennie passed away in 1920 at the age of 61.

Henry passed away in 1925 at the age of 70.

The Abe Lerner's Store (and Family) at Lockport

submitted by Mabel (Donald) Davis

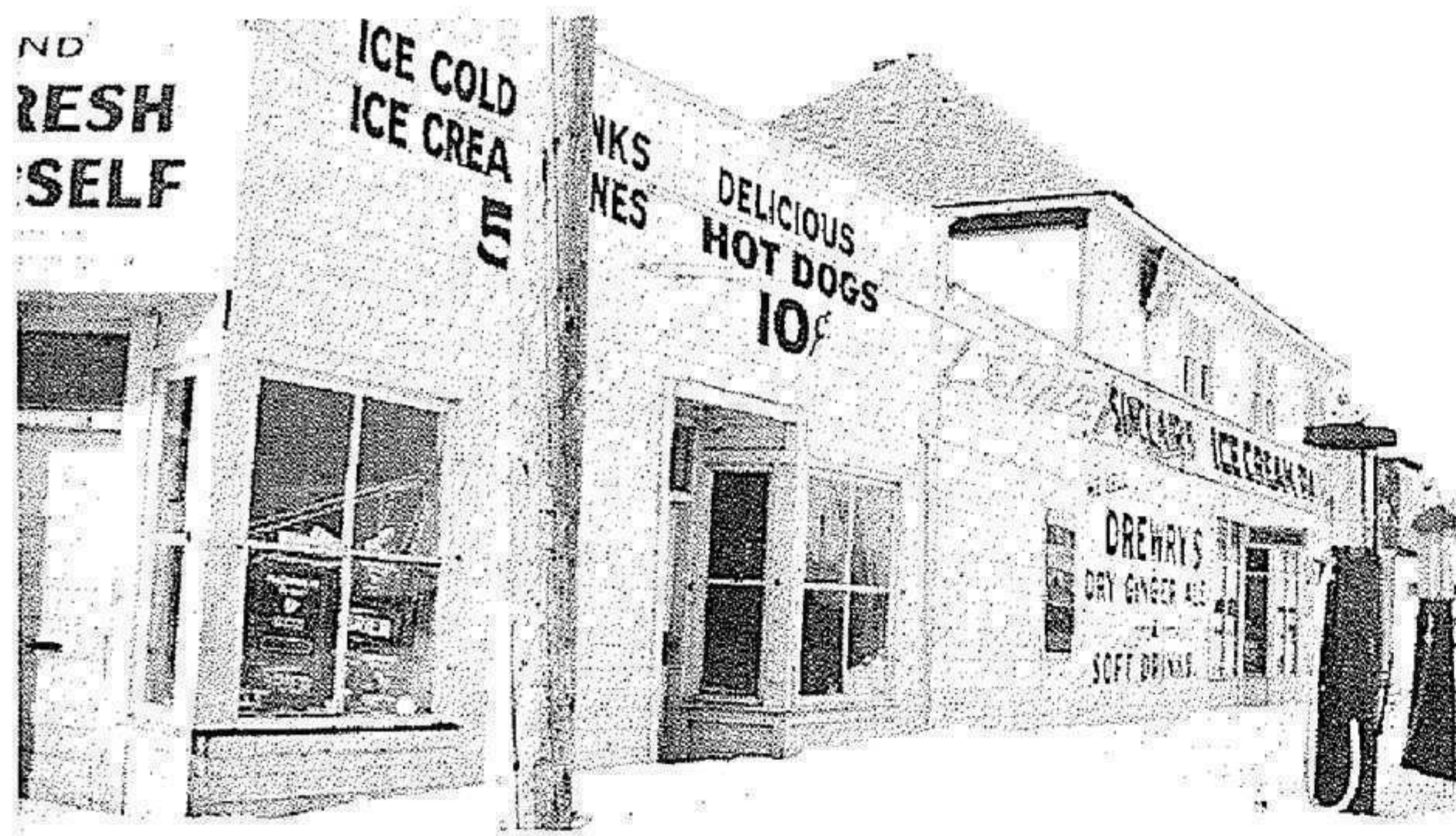
Everyone knew Abe and his wife Sarah who, for many years had a General Store at Lockport where Skinners is today. They had four children, Maurice (Sonny), Bert (Kop), Lillian and Bessie.

Lillian, the eldest daughter, married Leon Liss whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Liss also had a General Store as well as the Post Office and a public telephone, about a mile south of St. Andrews Church on the River Road.

Mrs. Lerner's sisters, Clara Hoffman also had a



Mr. and Mrs. Abe Lerner, proprietors, Lerner General Store, Lockport.



Lerner General Store, Lockport.



A. Lerner Family, Lockport. L to R: Lillie Rabinovich (niece) Mr. and Mrs. Lerner, Lillian, Bert.

large roadstand that she owned and worked at in Lockport.

When the Abe Lerner's sold out in 1930 they moved to Fontana, California, U.S.A. and had a grain and feed mill business for years until he retired.

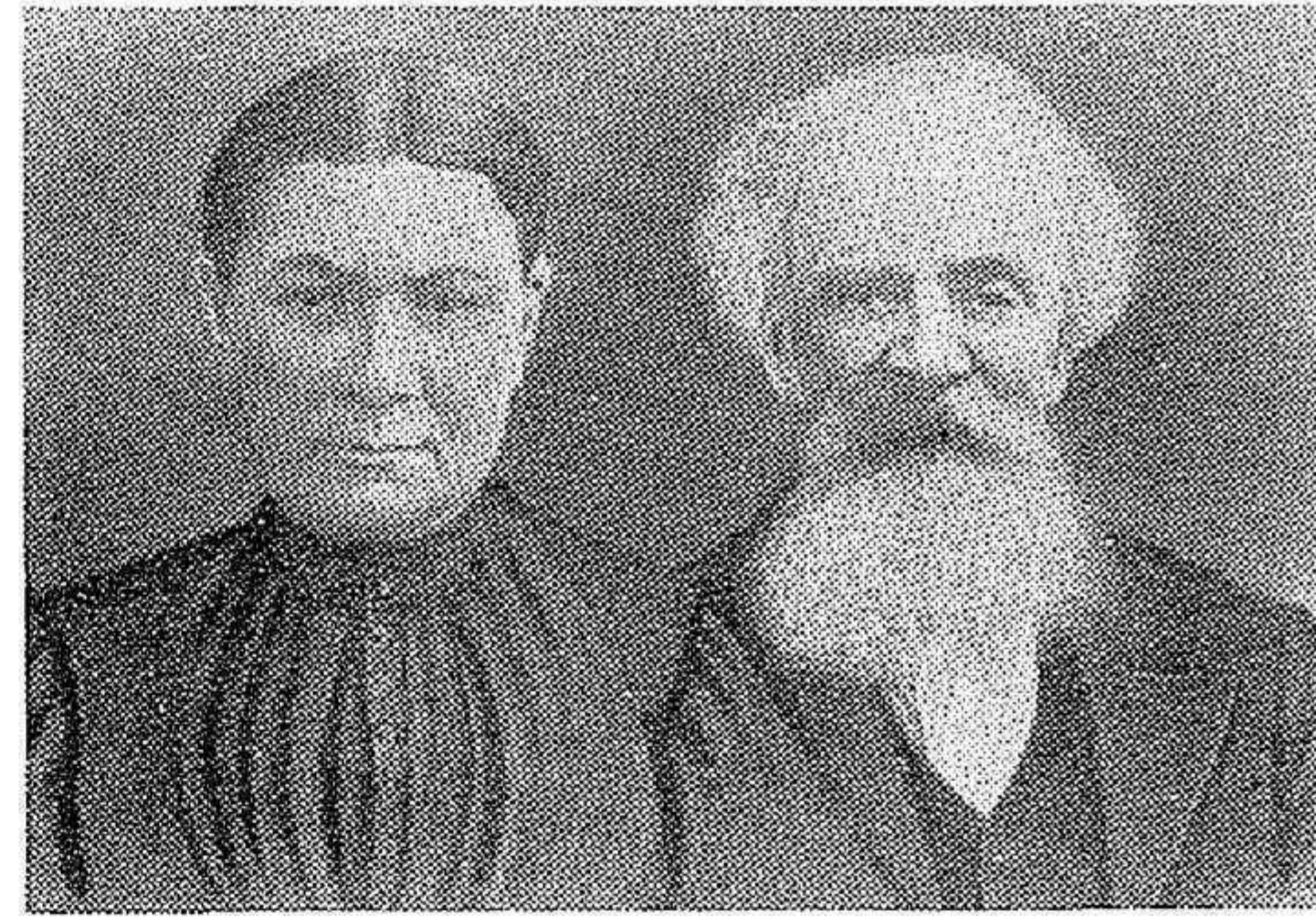
Lillian and I as girls, adopted each other as "sisters" and I sorely miss her since she died in 1978.

They were all such a beautiful and kind family.

The Linklater Family

The Linklater family in Cloverdale dates back to the late 1880's. Thomas Marwick Linklater was born in 1839 in the Orkney Islands, Scotland. He was hired by the Hudson's Bay Company in 1859, and came to Island Lake, Manitoba, soon after.

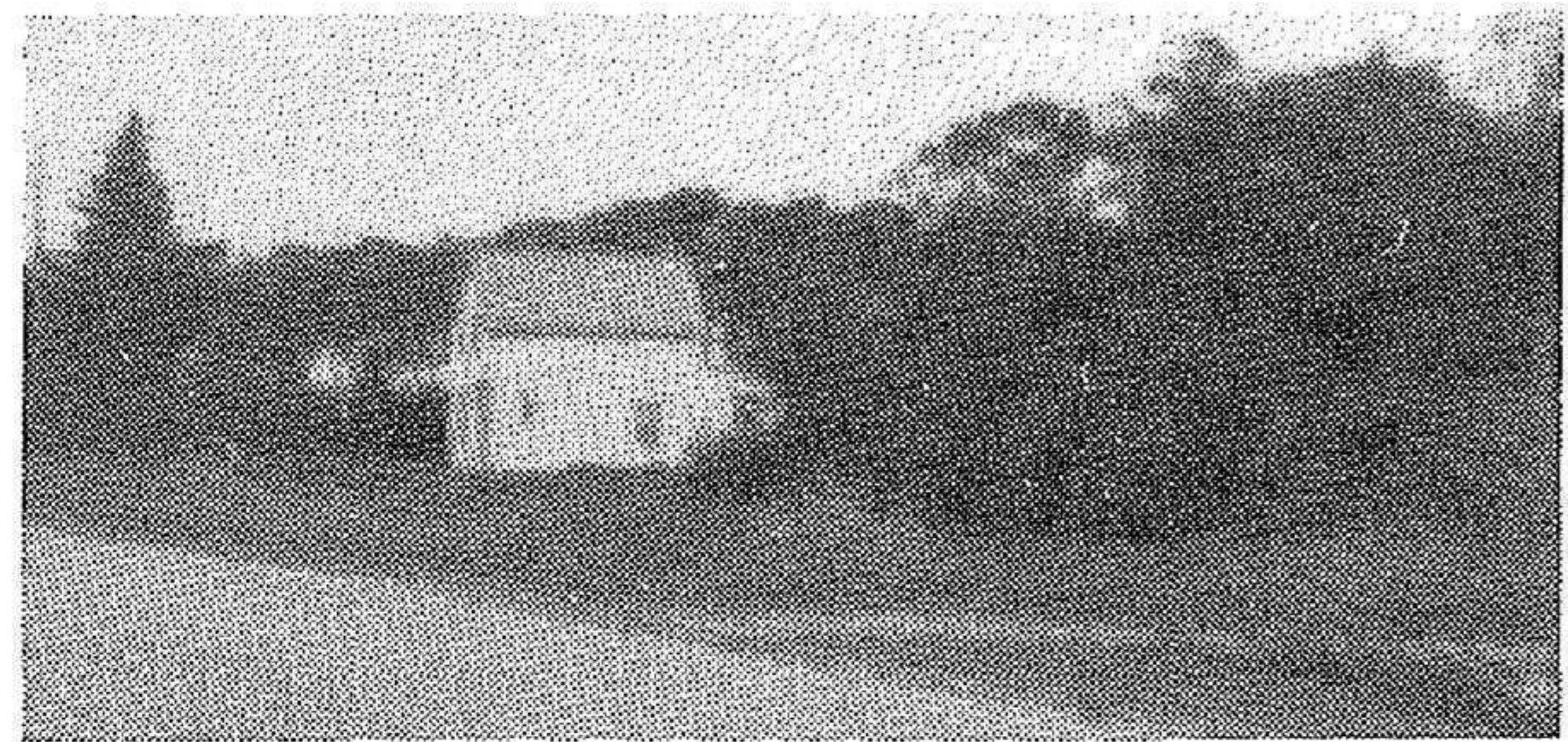
In 1874 Thomas married Catherine Moore. He remained as Postmaster of the Hudson's Bay Company at Island Lake. Toward the end of 1880 he decided to take up farming and brought his wife and four sons, John, Thomas, William, and George to the Cloverdale district. His farm was located on SE¼ 8-14-4E in the rural municipality of St. Andrews. Two more children were added to his family, Mar-



Catherine and Thomas Linklater.

garet and James. Thomas, their second son, died at the early age of seventeen.

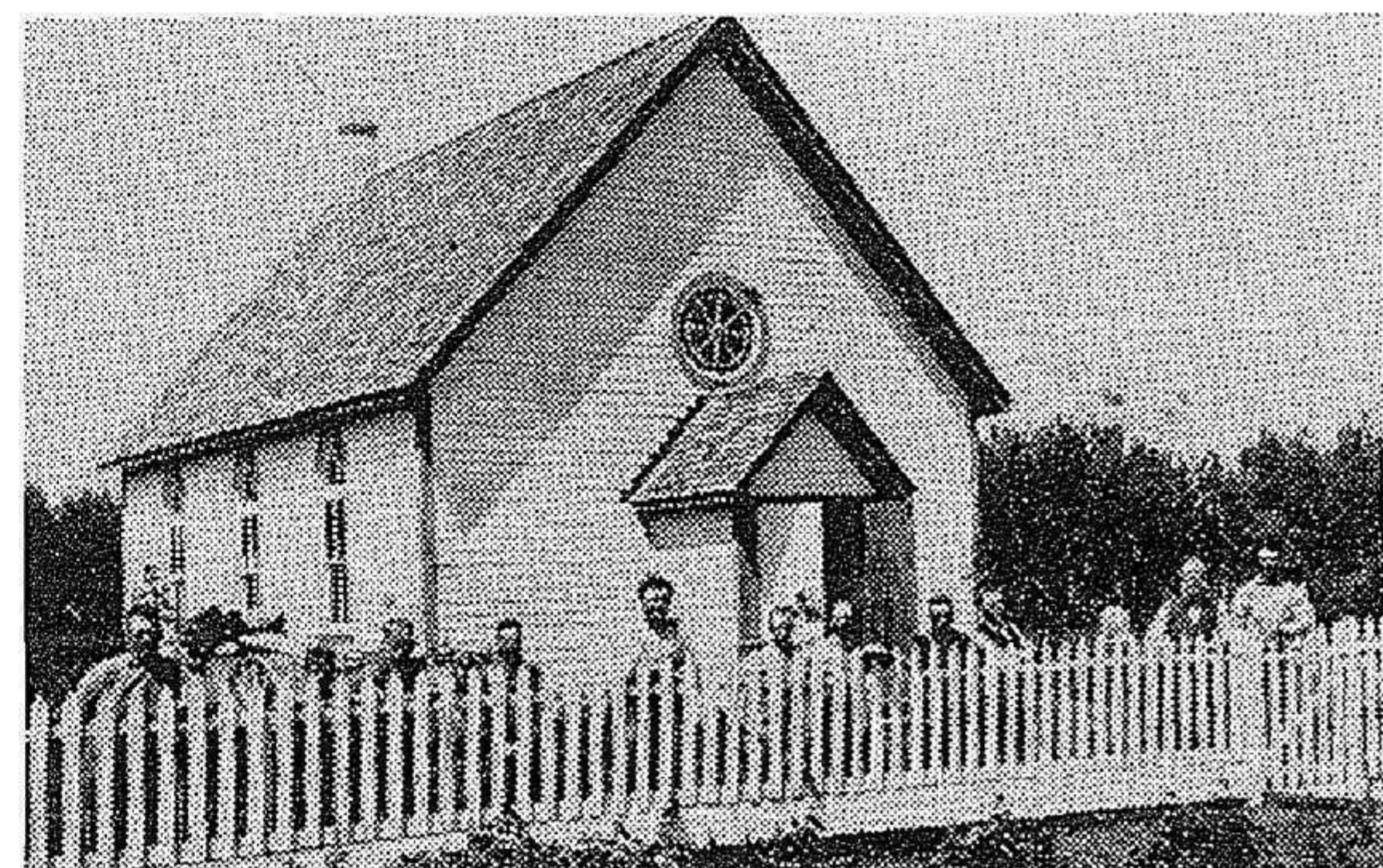
The original home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Linklater still stands today.



First home of Thomas and Catherine Linklater.

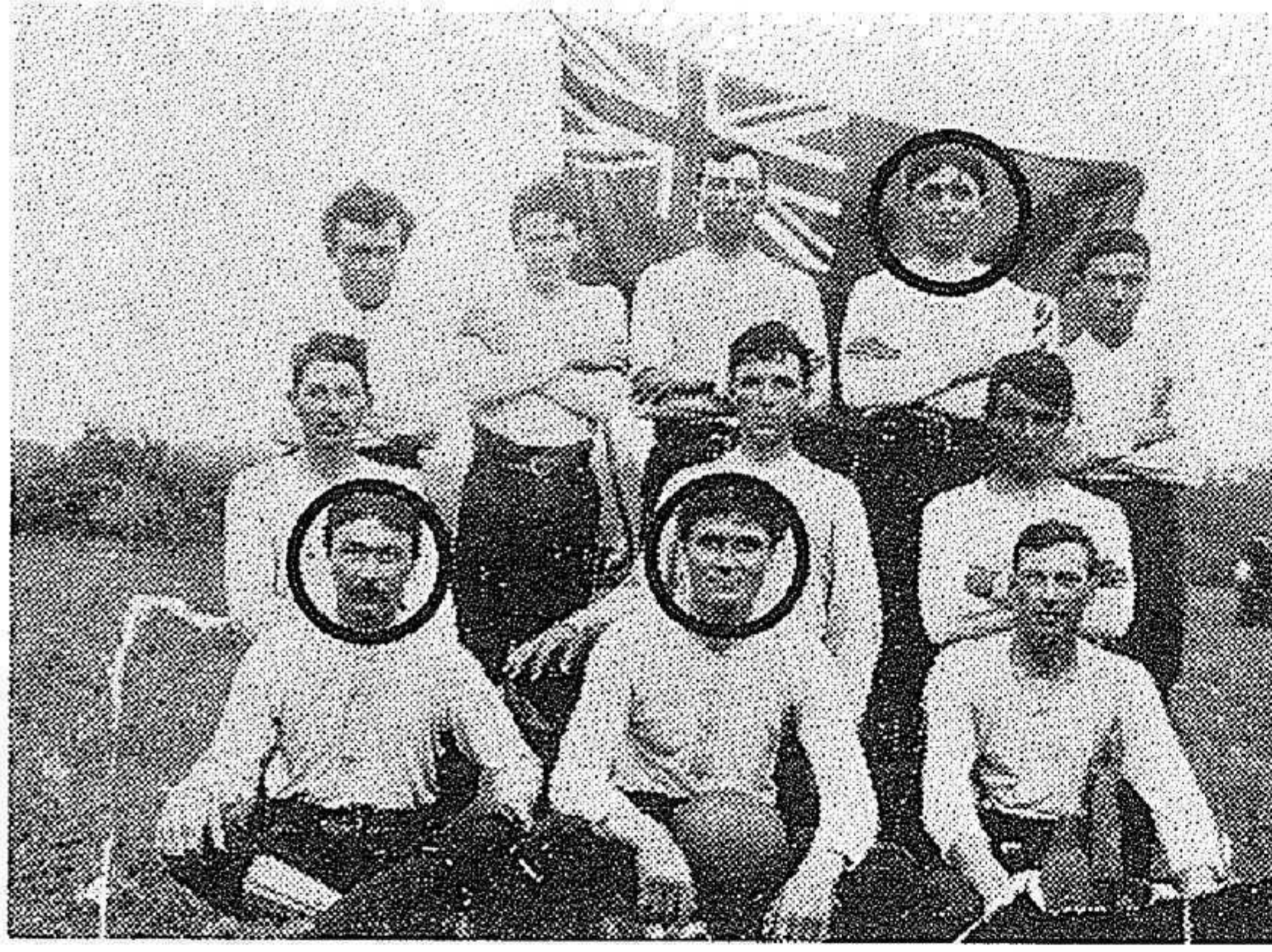
In 1899, Mr. Linklater donated two acres of his property for a church to be built, and on September 29, 1899, a Presbyterian Church was opened and dedicated.

Throughout the years the Linklaters were staunch members of the Church and community. Mr. Linklater served as church warden and as a school trustee.



Original Presbyterian Church opened in 1899.

Three of his sons, John, William and George, played on the football team. Two of Thomas and Catherine Linklater's sons, John and William, remained on the farm in the Cloverdale district.



L. to R. John, William (backrow), George.

John Linklater

John married Catherine Moar and began farming on NW¼ 8-14-4E. They had four children, three girls and one son. Mary (Mrs. Sowden) resides in Winnipeg, Esther (Mrs. Blackburn) resides in Moose Jaw, and Helen (Mrs. Smith) resides in Selkirk. Son Thomas married Dolly McNish and farmed in the district until his demise in 1964. Tom and Dolly had two sons and a daughter. Tommy, their eldest son, took to flying rather than farming and is at present at the Air Control Tower at St. Andrews airfield. Harris farms in the area and Clara (Mrs. Wiens) resides in Winnipeg.

and seven sons; Isabel, Jack, Tom, Lawrence, Orton, Stuart, Russell and Fletcher. Isabel (Mrs. Painter) now resides in Huxley, Alberta. Jack married Gladys (nee Birston) and farm in the Cloverdale district. They have two boys and three girls.

Thomas married Blanche (Saunderson) and farmed in the sixties when they moved to Selkirk. They have a family of four boys and three girls.

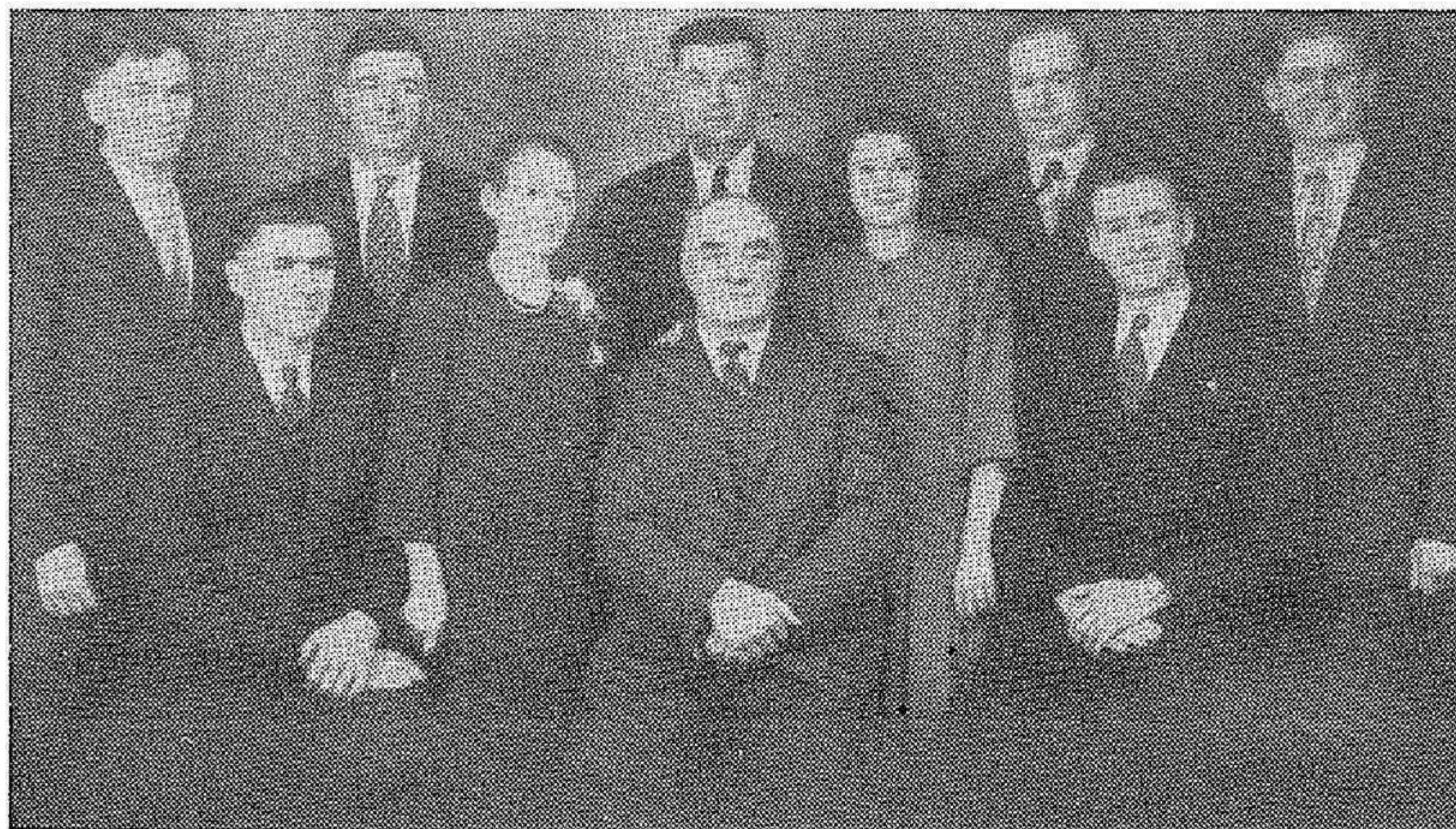
Lawrence and his wife, Noreen (Clark), farmed in the district until his recent retirement. They have a family of two boys and three girls. Their eldest son Larry died at the early age of 31 in 1978.

Orton married Audrey (Toland). They farmed in the district and have a family of three boys.

The three youngest sons of William and Ellen Linklater (Stuart, Fletcher and Russell) served in the



Tommy, Tom, Dolly and Harris Linklater.



William and Ellen Linklater and family.

William Linklater

William, third son of Thomas and Catherine Linklater, married Ellen Moar in 1905 in the first Church built in 1899. They lived in the family home and carried on the family farm until his demise in 1955. Mrs. Ellen Linklater remained in the family home until 1978 when she left to reside in the Betal Home in Selkirk. She celebrated her 97th birthday December 23, 1981 and enjoys excellent health. William and Ellen were blessed with one daughter

second world war. Upon their return in 1945, they decided to settle elsewhere. Stuart married Dore (Izon), and they have a family of one son and one daughter. Stuart lives in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. His wife passed away in 1976.

Russell married Elaine (Barnard) and they live in Selkirk. They have a family of one son and one daughter.

Fletcher married Beverley (Mitchell) and they



Mary and Esther Linklater.



Tommy, Clara and Harris Linklater.

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George, James and Margaret Linklater

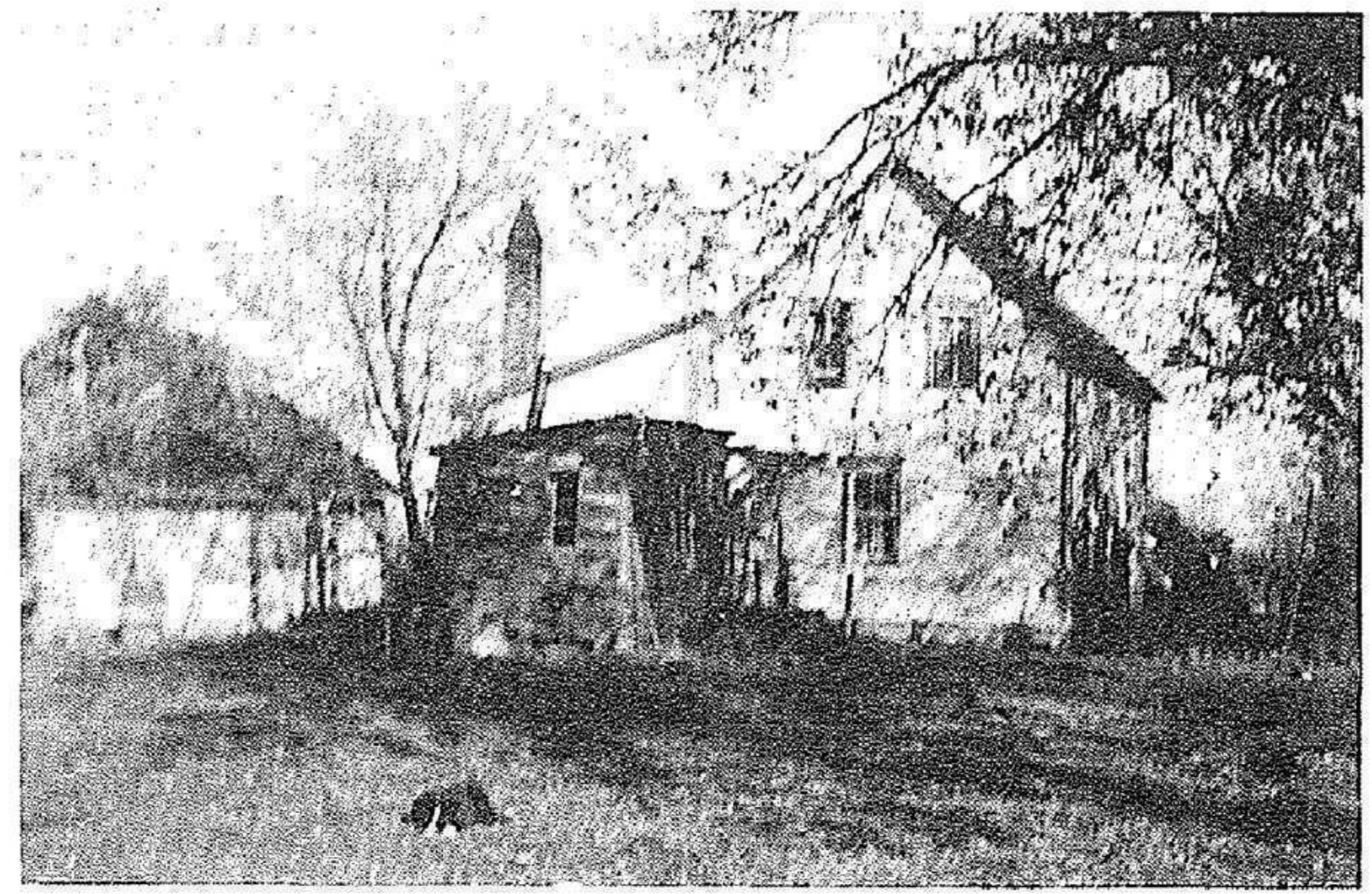
The three youngest children of Thomas and Catherine Linklater left the Cloverdale district, but their ties with the family home and church remain. George married Ethel Leask moving to Stony Mountain. They had a family of one son and two daughters. James, the youngest, married Freda Johnson and moved to Selkirk. They have a family of one son and one daughter (twins). Margaret, the only daughter of Thomas and Catherine, married George Lemm and resides in Winnipeg.



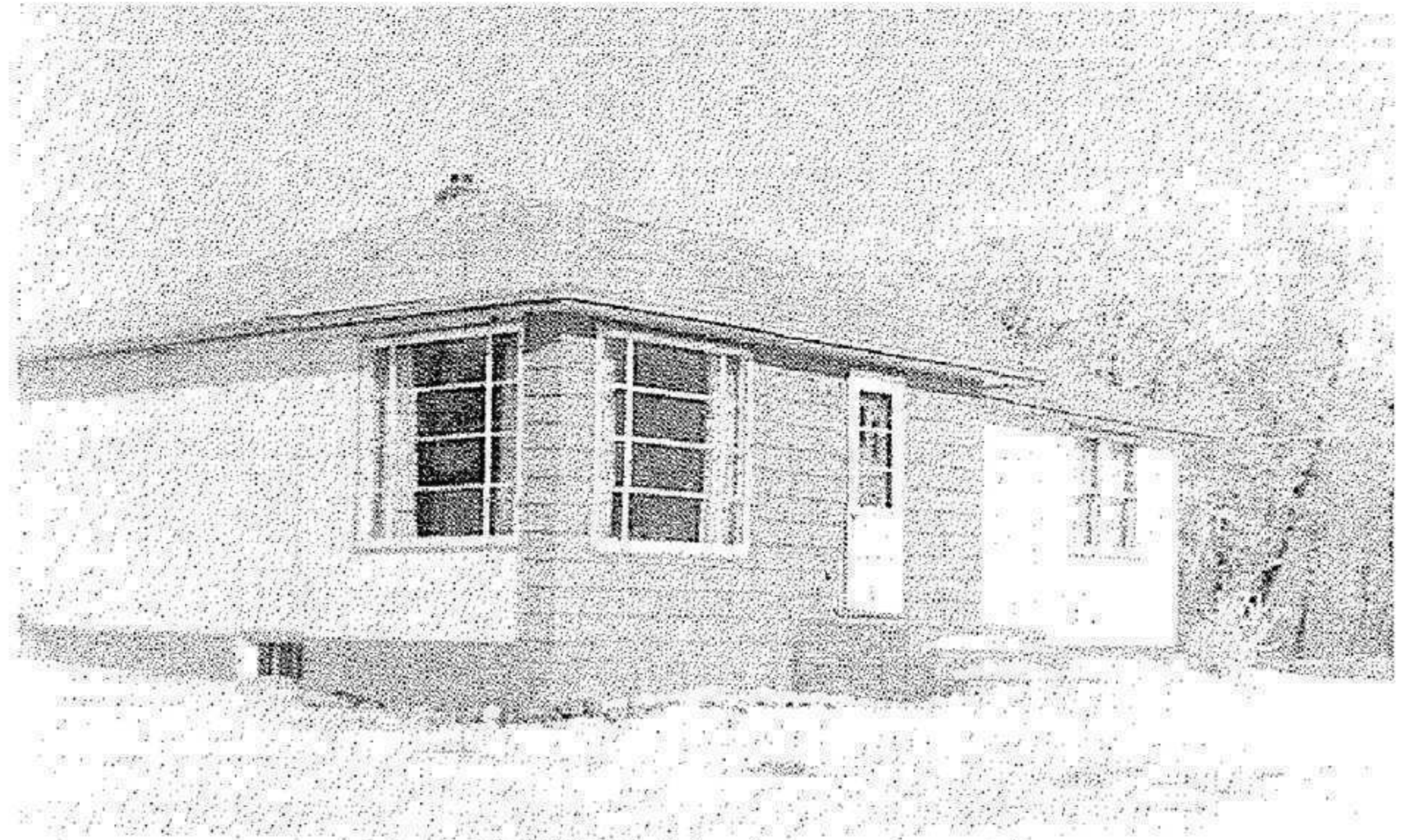
Fletcher, Stuart and Russell Linklater.

Orton Linklater Family

Orton Linklater married Audrey Toland in 1938. They bought the Colin Campbell farm (section 5-14-4E) and still reside there.



Home of Colin Campbell in Cloverdale. Later Orton Linklater bought the farm in 1938.



Home of Orton and Audrey Linklater, Cloverdale (section 5-14-4E).

They raised three sons. Dennis was born March 30, 1939, married Tilly Werner and had two children, Marie and Miles. Marie married John Feakes and they have one child, Amanda. Miles is single. They all live in Winnipeg.

Barry, born August 1, 1940, married Wilma Wal-terson, of Selkirk. They raised three children, Dana, Scott and Craig. They live at Waterton, Alberta.

Lyall was born June 8, 1947 and married Joan Isaacs, of Teulon. They have three children, Clayton, James and Shannon. They make their home at Crossfield, Alberta.

Marcin and Mary Lipinski

In 1902 Marcin and Mary Lipinski arrived in Canada from the vicinity of Cracov, Poland. They were of Roman Catholic faith. With them came their three children; Kay, Alban and Tom. One other child had died in infancy.

They stayed one year with Kaieton Ciszewski, whose wife was a sister to Mary Lipinski. Their post office would be Gimli. The next year, 1903, Marcin and Mary bought a homestead at Malonton, where

they resided for seventeen years. Here seven more children were born: Ethel, Mabel, Albert, John, Frank, Bernice and Louis. Over the seventeen years the family battled with stone, cut cordwood, looked after the cows and cattle and harvested in the West to make a living.

Before the next move of the family, Kay married, lived in Winnipeg for a few years and then left for Detroit, Michigan where she lived for the rest of her life.

In 1920, the spring thereof, the Lipinski family moved to the N ½ of 3, 17, 3E, St. Andrews Municipality. This half section was bought from Harry Anderson of Gimli. The family came with a few head of cattle and four horses. The work of clearing the land of trees and stumps was done by hand and axe with the help of blasting material and a stump puller. Mary Lipinski had a large garden, the produce of which, during the twenties, she sold at the cottages along southern Lake Winnipeg on the west side.

The west end of the section was wild grass, moss and swamp. Here, cattle were known to bog down and had to be pulled out by force. In the summer and fall, people came for miles around to make hay on this land. Later, in 1923, a drainage was built on the west side running north and south. This drainage took most of the water from the farm. Cows were on the open range and every night had to be rounded up and brought home for milking. Louis remembers the time he and his sister Bernice went for the cows and became lost. They were in tears but once they had the cows moving in one direction, they followed them, and arrived home much relieved. Frank tells of the time he had to burn some straw close to a newly threshed straw pile. Unfortunately the straw pile burned as well.

The children went to Melnice School until 1924 when Armistice School was built to take the overflow from Melnice on the north and Hartley School to the south of Armistice S.D. High school education was obtained in Teulon.

The people were fortunate to have a rural route out of Petersfield Post Office. Previous to the start of this route the Lipinskis had their mail delivered to Matlock, six miles from home.

Wood for heating and cooking was hauled from ten miles around. In the early 1930's No. 8 highway was being built and the boys hauled gravel for it. They also hauled stone to the lighthouse at the mouth of the Red River.

During the 1920's, the older Lipinski boys and girls, one by one, left for Chicago or Detroit to work. John died in 1933. Bernice left in the mid-thirties to get work, later living in Detroit.

In 1937 Frank and Louis began "baching" on the



Louis Lipinski and an impressive woodpile Petersfield, 1945.

S ½ of N ½ of 3, 17, 3E. In 1941 Frank married Nellie Rogoski of Prout S.D., and Louis married Viola Mair who was teaching at Armistice School.

To Nellie and Frank were born three daughters. The three girls received their elementary education at Armistice School. Carol and Vicki completed high school at Selkirk; Arlene, the youngest attended Teulon High School. Their advanced education was obtained in Winnipeg. All three are married, teaching school in rural Manitoba.

In 1945 Frank and Louis bought the home place from their father. Then Frank and family lived on the N ½, 3, 17, 3E and Louis and his wife remained on



Frank Lipinski and his four faithfals, Petersfield, late 1930's.

the S ½ of N ½, 3, 17, 3E. Over the years Frank and Louis worked together.

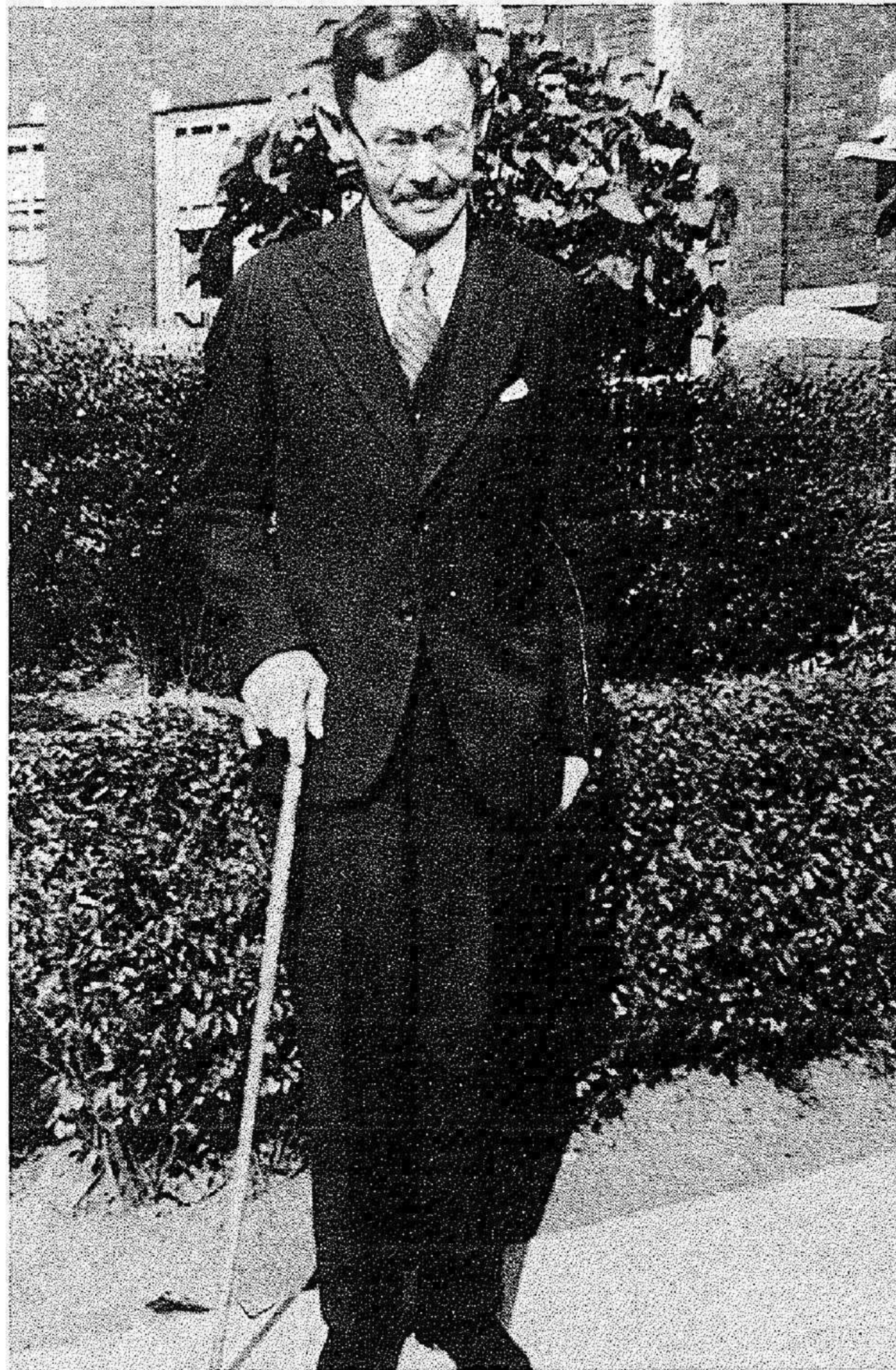
After 1949 the land was no longer worked by horses. The excitement, the hustle and bustle of the threshing outfits were no more. By 1957 the whole half section was under cultivation. From 1960 until 1975 farming was strictly grain and seeds. Carpenter work for Louis and trucking for Frank supplemented the grain cheques.

During these years curling was the winter sport, fishing in the spring and hunting deer and moose in the fall hunting season.

From the spring of 1963 until the fall of 1972, Louis served as councillor for ward 6.

In the spring of 1958 Marcin Lipinski died, and in the fall of 1966, Mary Lipinski died. Both are buried in St. Williams Cemetery on No. 8 Highway, at Whytefold Road.

Louis sold his farm in 1975 to Glen Cottingham, a farmer of the district; Frank sold to him also, the following year. Frank and Louis each kept five acres with their home. Here they live today, with their wives, cultivating and planting the home grounds.



Nathan Liss, St. Andrews, Man.

Nathan and Laka Liss

by daughter Mrs. Sara (Liss) Brownstone

Nathan Liss arrived in Canada in 1889 and settled in Winnipeg. His wife, Laka, arrived a year later with their son, David, a few months old. They lived on Charles Street, where Louis, Phillip, Ted, Sara and Esther were born. Dad bought a horse and buggy and sold dry goods to the Indians and half-breeds from Winnipeg all the way to Selkirk, Petersfield, Clandeboye, etc. Dad made very good friends with his customers and they treated him well. He was offered food and shelter for his horse whenever he needed it. I well remember him speaking of the Monkman and the Linklaters.



"Pillow Fight" Esther and Sophie (reclining) Liss and Evelyn Scott.

About 1907 Dad bought a store at St. Andrews and all his past customers came to shop. A few years later the store burnt down and there was a great deal of concern for Phillip who was missing. He was later found in the stable where one of the neighbors had taken him.

Dad then built a brand new building with the store in the front containing the post office and telephone, and a residence in the back. One day a representative of the Five Roses Flour Company made Dad a deal. They would paint the store provided Dad would allow them to paint an Indian carrying a sack of Five Roses on his back on the south wall which remained there until the building burnt down many years after it was vacated.

Our family attended the St. Andrews School situated very close to our beloved St. Andrews Church. Later, it became a graded school with a bus driven by the Larter boys. We were not entitled to ride the bus but the Larter boys were such nice guys they invited us to ride.

Mother and Dad were very good friends of the different ministers that came to St. Andrews; the Rev. George Brownlee — 1907-1910, Rev. Arthur Warwich — 1910-1915, Rev. Harry Hodspith — 1915-1921 and Rev. John Saunders — 1921-1928.

Mother belonged to Church Aid and always helped out with baking, etc., whenever requested. I remember when we girls helped out with serving, there were always several who asked me to serve them mother's baking.

The McAllisters were friends of ours. Mrs. McAllister was Premier Norquay's daughter. They had an only son named Norquay who spent a great deal of his time at our house and we always had a houseful. He played the piano very well so our old piano was put to good use. We often had sing-songs then. Norquay went to war and it was a very sad day for all of us when word of his death arrived.

Two items of interest should be mentioned — during school term, two boys fell through the ice and someone came into the school shouting that the boys were drowning. The teacher, Miss Shore, ran to save the boys, but in her attempt to save them she was pulled into the water too. My brother Ted, grabbed a

broom as he left the school to help out. He handed the handle to the three of them, lay on his tummy and pulled them all out. The headline in the Winnipeg paper the next day read: "Ted Liss, the plucky fellow, etc., etc."

I also had a similar experience one winter evening, Mr. and Mrs. Blow invited me to go skating on the Red River. Mr. Blow arrived with a lantern as we wanted to make sure we missed the watering holes made for the cattle. At one point, Mrs. Blow and I rested while Mr. Blow went to investigate a shiny piece of ice about the middle of the river. Crash! Mr. Blow fell into the water, lantern and all. He hollered: "help, help, help!" Mrs. Blow fainted and here was I in the pitch dark, scared to death. I skated very carefully toward the voice, gave my hand to Mr. Blow and pulled him out. I truly must have been a very strong gal. I think the worst part of it all was having to skate back home in the dark, drenched and cold and worried about the cattle holes for fear of another accident. Mr. and Mrs. Blow gave me a beautiful gold chain set with pearls, which I value to this day.

I must not leave out the wonderful New Year's



Nathan Liss Family with husbands, wives and family. Standing, L to R: Dave, Leon, Lou, Lou's wife Vi, Carl Krause — Father's husband, Allan Brownstone — Sara's husband, Milt Agatstein — Sophia's husband. Sitting: Ethel — Dave's wife, Lil — Leon's wife, Beverly; Violet — Lou's daughter, Esther, Sara, Sophie.